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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re Application of

Tak Chi SHER

Serial No. 09/830,116

Art Unit: 2834

Filed: April 24, 2001

Examiner: M. O. Budd

For: **IMPROVED HAMMER FOR PIEZOELECTRIC ACTUATOR AND METHOD FOR
PRODUCING SAME**

RESPONSE AND AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action having a mailing date of April 2, 2002. The three month shortened statutory period to respond was set to expire July 2, 2002. A petition for a 1-month extension of time and requisite fee are submitted herewith extending the period for response to August 2, 2002.

In view of the following amendment and remarks, the Applicant respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider and withdraw the outstanding rejection of claims 1-6 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(a), to withdraw the finality of the restriction requirement and to reconsider and withdraw the lack of unity holding, to conduct a substantive examination of claims 7 and 8, and to allow this application.